#### PARISIAN METHODS AT WASHINGTON.

Social Affairs Undergo a Decided Change for the Better, Due to Mrs. Roosevelt.

NO MORE CRUSHED TOILETS.

Cards Will Hereafter Be Issued to All Dinners and Receptions and Will Alone Scenre Hospitality to the "Outlanders."

Washington, Dec. 12.-During this winter a delightful change will be inaugurated in the general plan of distinctive Washington entertainments. There will be exclusion. democracy of pleasureseckers. The social leaders will so conduct their hospitality that there will be a greater number of that there will be a greater number of functions and fewer strests at each exent. Heretofore the entertainments at the capital were decaded in a sense, on the one hand were decodes and lengthy dimers, releved by growled assemblages, where the guest was lacky to force a passage to the presence of the host and hostess, and performed social obligations at the cost of much wear and tear of finery.

The crushing receptions will be mare frequent and the deceptions will be mare frequent and the receptions will be mare frequent and the receptions will be issued for all affairs and the outlanders must secure these covered invitations before presenting themselves at hospitable permits. themselves at hospitable persuls. DUE TO MRS. RODSEVELT. This change is primorily due to Mrs.
Rosseveit. At her afternoon at-homes and evening receptions she rarely invited more than 200 or 200 people. These can be comfortably entertained in the spacious

more than 180 or no people. These can be comfortably entertained in the spacious parlors of the White House.

She is permitted to converse with each of her guests and by extending this hospitality frequently she is unbied to meet all her friends and those whose efficial and social rank entitle them to recognition by the wife of the FreeHent.

The women of the Diplocatic Corps have added in causing this reformation. The changed situation is well described by the handsome young chatchains of the Russian Embarsey, the Counce a Marguerite Cassing "Washington is beginning to adopt furisian methods in the conduct of its social affairs. In Paris, Berlin, Vienna and other Old World capitals the success of an entertainment is gauged by the amount of enjayment which the guests receive. In these cities no hosters dreams of inviting a large company to an evening letter without proyiding special features of entertainment.

"There are prima donna from the opera, experts at legerdensin and even feats of strength, performed in the salon long before they are seen on the stage by the zeneral public. Sometimes there are helf a dozen such receptions in one evening, so that nowhers is an uncomfortable crowd encountered. During the past two winters Washington enlivened hitherto tedious and lengthy dinner parties by following the European custom of costume and espech diners. This change was much enjoyed by all participants."

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IS NOT INTERESTED.

Certain Claim of Newspaper Artists'
Association in New York Officially Denied.

New York, Dec. 13.—An organization called the Newspaper Artists' Association, at No. 23 East Fourteenth street in this city, under the management of C. W. Parker, claims to have as a part of its Exhibition Committee certain persons connected with "the Association." I desire to say that the Association." I desire to say that the Association I desire to say that the Association in this affair, and that the use of the name is distinctly misleading.

(Signed) MELVILLE E. STONE. General Manager.

REFUSE TO ACCEPT BONDS. Subscribers Fear Bond County Issue Is Irregular.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Smithbore, Ill., Dec. 13.—The Trowbridge & Niver Company of Chicage, who purchased the \$15.00 worth of bonds of Bond County at a premium of \$1.25, now decline to take the bonds unless a new election is ordered and the legality and regularity of the issue is established, according to their prescribed form. prescribed form.

At the last election, the voters decided in favor of issuing bonds to the amount of \$15,000 for the purpose of funding the county indebtedness. The purchasers refuse to take the bonds, giving as their reasons that the Bond County authorities proceeded under the statute authorizing a bond issue for improvements instead of under the statute. der the statute authorizing a bond issue for improvements instead of under the statute authorizing an issue for funding outstanding Indehedness.

A legal controversy is now on for the purpose of deciding which is right. The county was represented in the deal by the law firm of Fritz & Holles of Greenville. They contend that they are right. The case was submitted to H. J. Hamiin. Atterney General of the State, and he supports them. If a new election is held, it probably will occur the same day as the town elections in April.

PARISIAN STATUES CRUMBLING.

Lafayette's Likeness Disintegrated; Washington's Threatened. Paris, Dec. 13.—The scene created recent-by the crumbling of the Lafayette statue in the Place du Carrousel has been increased by the discovery this week that the statue of Washington in the Place des Btats Uris is also failing away under the recent heavy rain.

It will be remembered that some years ngo the American colony subscribed \$61,000 for the erection of the monument.

Mr Sprague Says Christmas shoppers should lunch at the new Colonial Restaurant, Broadway and Locust street.

Paris Enjoys Fine Skating.

SPECIAL BY CARLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. Paris, Dec. 12.—(Copyright, 1822)—The second spell of cold weather this season has been more persistent than the first, but perhaps there has not been so much discomfort, according to the old rule that the first cold snap is the most severely felt. The result of an entire week's steady freezing had been good skating. This, in the Bois, always begins first at the Cerele du Bois, which is an aristocratic rendezvous. The Grand Lac was opened to the public on Wednesday, when the ice was four or five inches thick. There was a great crowd, as there is no entrance fee and no expense. Although Paris has not much ice, it has many good skaters. The majority learn at the Palais de Glace. Paris Enjoys Fine Skating.

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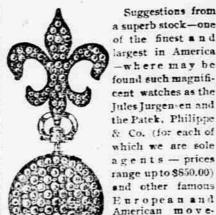
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One Hundred and Four Volts Sufficient to Cause Death of George Lose.

FOUND SITTING IN CHAIR.

He Had Formed a Short Circuit Wtih a Wire, a Steam Radiator and Wet Feet.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Dec. 13.—Killed by a current which, escaping from an incandescent reading lamp clutched in his right hand, passed ing lamp clutched in his right hand, passed through his body to a steam radiator on which his feet rested—that is the remarkable fate which overcame George Leonard Lees of Bradenville, N. J., who was a student at the Drew Theological Seminary, near Madison, N. J.

The case is as mysiffying as it is unusual because of the fact that the limit of strength of the current which is supposed to have caused death and which was still streaming through his body when it was discovered was only isly volts—by no means sufficient to cause death under ordinary circumstances.

The circuit was completed by the placing

wrong, but did not think that death had overtaken their friend until they touched In a few moments students were It was easy to see that by grasping the electric lamp with his hand and touching the radiator with his feet Lose had short-circuited the electric current which fed the lamp. Yet, even with this knowledge, it was not easy to believe that a person so healthy as Lose was known to be could have been killed by the feeble current which supplied the lamp. It was evident that he had reached out, intending to draw the lamp closer to him. The bettoms of his feet were slightly burned and his right hand was somewhat blistered.

THE RESIDENCE SERVICES STATES OF THE PARTY O

JOHN VAN HORNE PASSES AWAY. Former Vice President of Western Union Telegraph Company.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 12.-John Van ern Union Telegraph Company, died at his home in Pewes Valley, a suburb of Louis-ville the former ville, this af ernoon.

Mr. Van Horne was 75 years old. He ac-Mr. Van Horne was 5 years old. He acquired a knowledge of telegraphy ten years after its invention by Professor Morse.

During the Civil War Mr. Van Horne became president of the Southwest Telegraph Company, which operated within the Confederates lines, and it was while serving in this capacity that by an act of personal

honor he was enabled to save the interests of Professor Morse, which later yielded him an issue of \$50,000 worth of the West-ern Union stock. When the United States, the Western

when the trited States, the western Union and Southwestern Telegraph companies consolidated in 1885 Mr. Van Horne was chosen general superintendent of the Southern division. In 1818 he was elected vice president of the company, in which capacity he served until about four years ago, when he retired. Merchants' Association Dissolved. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Breese, Hi. Dec. 12.—The Retail Mer-chants' Association of this city has dis-solved. Last February four out of the six general merchants organized this associa-

tion for mutual benefit. The credit system was abolished the first day of March last by the association. One metchant who did not belong created considerable trouble for the association, or one of them in particular. There was a bitter rivalry between the two stores. It was because of this stiff competition that the cash system was abolished. All merchants extend credit now.

**ENTERTAINMENT IS POSTPONED** S. M. Association to Present Comedy Next Friday.

On account of the inclement weather the entertainment to be given by the South-

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western Mercantile Association at Lemp's Hall, Thirteenth and Utah street, December 12, is postponed to Friday evening, Decem-The Edwin Forrest Dramatic Club will give a three-act comedy entitled "A Backwoods Politician," written by Frederic W. Amack, station passenger agent of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad, in this city. Among those who are cast for ports in the comedy are: A. Lewis, W. A. Estip, Clarke Russell, W. Crinley, Eugene Rube, F. W. Ringo, Miss Nellie Goodman, Miss Adele Estef, Miss Anna O'Connor, Miss Eva Tracey.

Eva Tracey. Will Give Charity Enchre. The ladies of Union Veteran Legion, No. 6, will give a charity euchre to-morrow aft-ernoon in the hall of the union in the Bur-lington building, No. 810 Olive street.

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